

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method ~~of for managing an incoming call on~~ a cell phone call, comprising:
initially receiving an incoming call at a cell phone prior to sending a notification
of the incoming call to a personal data processing device external to the
cell phone;
~~receiving sending the notification of an the incoming call on to a the~~ personal data
processing device ~~external to the cell phone~~, the personal data processing
device coupled to the cell phone via a connection;
retrieving caller identification (ID) and information associated with the incoming
call, wherein the caller ID and the information are retrieved from a
plurality of sources;
examining one or more of predefined preferences of a user of the cell phone, a
calendar of the user indicating availability of the user, and real-time
instructions from the user, wherein examining includes determining
whether a configuration is set such that a response is automatically sent to
the incoming call; and
managing the incoming call according to the one of the predefined preferences
and the real-time instructions, wherein the one of the predefined
preferences and the real time instructions includes at least one of
forwarding the incoming call, requesting a sender of the incoming call to
send an instant message, and responding to the incoming call with a
voicemail message, wherein the responding to the incoming call is

adjusted according to one or more of the predefined preferences, the calendar, and the real-time instructions.

2. (Original) The method according to Claim 1 wherein retrieving the information associated with the incoming call further comprises at least one of:
retrieving the information from the cell phone;
retrieving the information from the data processing device; and
retrieving the information from a source coupled to the data processing device.
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Previously Presented) The method according to Claim 1 wherein responding to the incoming call with the voicemail message further comprises selecting one of a plurality of voicemail messages as the appropriate response.
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 1 wherein the signal ~~is~~ comprises an Attention Command ("AT") (AT) signal.
8. (Currently Amended) ~~An article comprising a machine-accessible~~ A machine-readable storage medium comprising instructions ~~that which,~~ when executed, ~~cause a machine to: manage an incoming call on a cell phone coupled to the machine by:~~ initially receive an incoming call at a cell phone prior to sending a notification of
the incoming call to a personal data processing device external to the cell
phone;

~~receiving~~ send the notification of ~~an~~ the incoming call ~~on to a~~ the personal data processing device ~~external to the cell phone~~, the personal data processing device coupled to the cell phone via a connection;

~~retrieving~~ retrieve caller identification (ID) and information in addition to a caller ID associated with the incoming call, wherein the caller ID and the information are retrieved from a plurality of sources;

~~examining~~ examine one or more of predefined preferences of a user of the cell phone, a calendar of the user indicating availability of the user, and real-time instructions from the user, wherein examining includes determining whether a configuration is set such that a response is automatically sent to the incoming call; and

~~managing~~ manage the incoming call according to the one of the predefined preferences and the real-time instructions, wherein the one of the predefined preferences and the real time instructions includes at least one of forwarding the incoming call, requesting a sender of the incoming call to send an instant message, and responding to the incoming call with a voicemail message, wherein the responding to the incoming call is adjusted according to one or more of the predefined preferences, the calendar, and the real-time instructions.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The article according to~~ The machine-readable storage medium of Claim 8 wherein the instructions which, when further executed, further cause the machine to retrieve the information associated with the incoming call by performing at least one of:
- retrieving the information from the cell phone;

retrieving the information from the data processing device; and

retrieving the information from a source coupled to the data processing device.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) ~~The article according to~~ The machine-readable storage medium of Claim 8 wherein the instructions which, when ~~further~~ executed, further cause the machine to enable selection of one of a plurality of voicemail messages as the appropriate response.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) ~~The article according to~~ The machine-readable storage medium of Claim 8 wherein the signal ~~is comprises~~ an Attention Command (“AT”) (AT) signal.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~A personal data processing device coupled to a cell phone via a connection, the personal data processing device~~ An apparatus comprising: a cell phone to initially receive an incoming call prior to sending a notification of the incoming call to a personal data processing device external to the cell phone; and

the personal data processing device coupled with the cell phone via a connection,

the personal data processing device having

a receiving module external to the cell phone capable of receiving

notification of the incoming call;

a processing module external to the cell phone capable of retrieving caller

identification (ID) and information in addition to a caller ID

associated with the incoming call, wherein the caller ID and the

information are retrieved from a plurality of sources, the processing module additionally examining one or more of the predefined preferences of a user of the cell phone, a calendar of the user indicating availability of the user, and real-time instructions from the user, wherein examining includes determining whether a configuration is set such that a response is automatically sent to the incoming call; and

a response module external to the cell phone capable of managing the incoming call according to the one of the predefined preferences and the real-time instructions, wherein the one of the predefined preferences and the real time instructions includes at least one of forwarding the incoming call, requesting a sender of the incoming call to send an instant message, and responding to the incoming call with a voicemail message, wherein the responding to the incoming call is adjusted according to one or more of the predefined preferences, the calendar, and the real-time instructions.

16. (Currently Amended) The ~~data processing device~~ apparatus according to Claim 15 wherein the processing module retrieves the information associated with the incoming call from at least one of the cell phone, the data processing device and a source couple to the data processing device.
17. (Cancelled)
18. (Cancelled)
19. (Currently Amended) The ~~data processing device~~ apparatus according to Claim 15 wherein the response module enables the user to respond to the incoming call

with the voicemail message by selecting one of a plurality of voicemail messages as the appropriate response.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) The ~~data processing device~~ apparatus according to Claim 15 wherein the signal ~~is~~ comprises an Attention Command ~~(“AT”)~~ (AT) signal.

22. (Currently Amended) A system for managing ~~an incoming call on~~ a cell phone

call, the system comprising[[;]]:

a cell phone to initially receive an incoming call prior to sending a notification of

the incoming call to a personal data processing device external to the cell phone;

~~a~~ the personal data processing device external to the cell phone, the personal data processing device coupled to the cell phone via a connection and capable of receiving notification of the incoming ~~call;~~ call; and

an application coupled to the data processing device, the application capable of retrieving caller identification (ID) and information in addition to a caller ID associated with the incoming call, wherein the caller ID and the information are retrieved from a plurality of sources, the application further capable of examining one or more of predefined preferences of a user of the cell phone and real-time instructions from the user, a calendar of the user indicating availability of the user, wherein examining includes determining whether a configuration is set such that a response is automatically sent to the incoming call, and managing the incoming call according to the one of the predefined preferences and the real-time instructions, wherein the one of the predefined preferences and the real

time instructions includes at least one of forwarding the incoming call, requesting a sender of the incoming call to send an instant message, and responding to the incoming call with a voicemail message, wherein the responding to the incoming call is adjusted according to one or more of the predefined preferences, the calendar, and the real-time instructions.

23. (Original) The system according to Claim 22 wherein the application is capable of retrieving the information associated with the incoming call from at least one of the cell phone, a source on the data processing device and a source coupled to the data processing device.
24. (Cancelled)
25. (Cancelled)
26. (Previously Presented) The system according to Claim 22 wherein the application is further capable of responding to the incoming call with the voicemail message by selecting one of a plurality of voicemail messages as the appropriate response.
27. (Cancelled)
28. (Currently Amended) The system according to Claim 22 wherein the signal ~~is~~ comprises an Attention Command ~~("AT")~~ (AT) signal.